## Frank Knapp Jr. Bio

Mr. Knapp co-founded the SC Small Business Chamber of Commerce in February of 2000. He serves as the president and CEO of the statewide advocacy organization which has over 5,000 supporters and has taken a leadership role in making South Carolina more small business friendly in areas such as taxation, regulation, worker training, Workers Compensation Insurance, utility costs, health insurance, energy/conservation and economic development.

Mr. Knapp serves on the Advisory Board for the South Carolina Small Business Development Center and was recognized by the Small Business Administration as the 2014 South Carolina Small Business Financing Advocate of the Year.

He has held leadership roles with the American Sustainable Business Network and Small Business for America's Future. He has led national business efforts in the areas of health insurance, regulations, access to capital, taxation, the environment/energy, and protecting democracy.

Mr. Knapp Jr. is also the president of The Knapp Agency, a full service advertising/public relations firm he founded in 1991 in Columbia, SC.

Mr. Knapp holds a master's degree in social psychology from the University of South Carolina and a bachelor's degree in psychology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.